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In re Application of
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Application No. 10/776089

Filing or 371(c) Date: 02/11/2004

Title of Invention:

CO-PILOT MEASUREMENT-WHILE-
FISHING TOOL DEVICES AND
METHODS

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DECISION
ON PETITION

This is a decision on the Petition to Withdraw Withholding of Abandonment, filed December 5, 2006. The petition is properly treated under 37 CFR 1.181(a). The delay in treating this petition is regretted.

This Petition is hereby **granted**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely and properly reply to the non-final office action, mailed March 7, 2006. The Office action set a three (3) month period for reply, and provided for extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). No response having been received, the application became abandoned on June 8, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed October 11, 2006.

The present petition

Applicant files the present Petition and asserts that a timely reply to the Office action was filed on June 23, 2006, including a request for a one (1) month extension of time and fee. In support of this assertion, Applicant includes a copy of the reply, along with a copy of an Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission report from this Office acknowledging receipt of 16 pages from petitioner on June 23, 2006. A review of the copy of the reply filed with the petition reveals that it includes a Certificate of Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8 that the reply was sent on June 23, 2006. Applicant also files a copy of the Sending Unit Confirmation Report showing that 16 pages were transmitted to this Office on June 23, 2006.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, the petition is granted. The holding of abandonment is hereby withdrawn.

No petition fee has been charged and none is due. The extension of time fee has been charged Applicant's deposit account.

The application will be referred to Technology Center Art Unit 3672 for processing of the copy of the Response/amendment filed with the present petition.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3232.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek L. Woods", is written over the printed name.

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